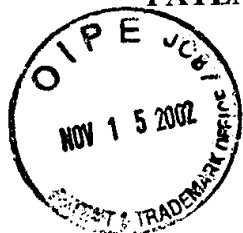


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Applicant hereby responds to the office action dated **September 19, 2002** and within the three-month shortened statutory period for response ending **December 19, 2002**. Please reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 stand rejected and claims 20-25 stand withdrawn from further consideration. Applicant maintains the patentability of claims 1-25.

Claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,102,708 to Kimura, hereinafter "Kimura," in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,139,361 to

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